MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) AND THE DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The performance of the Indian Sports contingent in the Seoul Olympics was, by and large, according to expectations, barring a few individual exceptions. The Indian Olympic Assocation (IOA)'s report on performance in Beijing Asian Games is yet to be received by Government. However, in consultation with SAI we have reviewed the performance in these events and have identified constraints like lack of adequate resources, very narrow base of sportspersons at competitve level and absence of required sports infrastructure in the schools and colleges, etc.

(c) and (d). Government propose to give due priority to promotion of sports and games by removing the existing constraints for their development. This is being done by making more resources available for the training and foreign exposure of the identified elite sprotspersons, using available resources cost effectively. The plans have been drawn up for coaching/training and foreign exposure of the sprotspersons in consultation with the concerned National Sports Federations.

Reservation of Seats for Muslim Students in Aligarh Muslim University

2724. SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA:
DR. A.K. PATEL:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether certain percentage of seats are reserved for Muslim candidates for admission in Class XI, degree courses, postgraduate courses and professional courses in the Aligarh Muslim University;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any other Central University in the country where reservation of seats is made on the basis of religion of the appplicants;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Aligarh Muslim University authorities had reviewed the admission policy of the University and reservations for Muslim candidates; and

(f) if so, the decisions taken and whether the same have since been implemented?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) and (f). In its meeting held on 20.8.89, the Court of Aligarh Muslim University resolved to accept the recommendations of the Tyabji Committee which was constituted by the University to review its admission policy. The Committee has, inter alia, suggested that 50% of the seats in Class XI, degree courses, Master's Courses, Diploma and Professional Courses in Aligarh Muslim University should be reserved for Muslim candidates. This decision is contrary to the provisions of Section 8 of the Aligarh Muslim University Act, 1920 which provides that the University shall be open to all persons of either sex and of whatever race, religion,

creed or class. A show cause notice has, therefore, been issued to the University under Section 13(6) of the Aligarh Muslim University Act for annulment of the said Resolution. Meanwhile, according to the information furnished by the University, the decision has not been implemented.

Development of Vidyasagar University

2725. SHRI SATYAGOPAL MISRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the University Grants Commission has released some amount for the development of Vidyasagar University, West Bengal;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a few proposals of the said university are still pending with U.G.C. for sanction of grants;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken to clear the pending proposals?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) and (b). According to the information furnished by UGC, Vidyasagar University was provided the following grants by the Commission, after it was declared fit to receive Central assistance under Section 12 B of the UGC Act on 1.3.1990;

Book & Journals — Rs. 15.00 lakhs

Equipment — Rs. 15.00 lakhs

(c) to (e). A proposal for release of "Unassigned grant" for the year 1991-92 is being processed by the Commission. For the release of development grant for 1990-91, the Commission has asked the University to furnish Utilisation Certificate in respect of grants released earlier.

[*Translation*]

Old Age Pension

2726. SHRI SURYA NARAYAN YADAV: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the States providing old age pension to persons above 60 years of age;

(b) whether Government propose to introduce this scheme throughout the country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) All States and UTs have old age pension schemes of their own.

(b) and (c). Does not arise.

Sewerage System in Jaipur

2727. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether sewerage system in Jaipur, Rajasthan has not been properly developed due to limited financial resources available with the State Government;

(b) whether any amount has been sanctioned by the World Bank for development of swerage system in Jaipur;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and